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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

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For: A METHOD FOR PHYSICAL  
PLACEMENT OF AN INTEGRATED  
CIRCUIT ADAPTIVE TO NETLIST  
CHANGES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner of  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 16, 2000, for the above captioned patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims as indicated below:

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1. (Three Times Amended) In the design of integrated circuits, a computer controlled method for placing cells, comprised of the computer implemented steps of: